

Please add new claims 21 and 22 as follows:

a' --21. An arachidonic acid-containing microbial lipid containing 72% by weight or more of arachidonic acid in fat per total fatty acids in said fat.

22. The arachidonic acid-containing microbial lipid according to claim 21 wherein the percentage of eicosapentaenoic acid to the total fatty acids in said lipid is 0.5% by weight or less.--

**REMARKS**

Entry of the foregoing and favorable consideration of the subject application, in light of the following remarks, are respectfully requested.

By the foregoing amendment, claims 7, 10, 17, 18, 19 and 20 have been amended to delete their multiple dependencies. New claims 21 and 22 have also been added. Support for these new claims can be found throughout the originally filed application. No new matter has been added by the foregoing amendment.

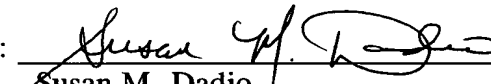
In the event that there are any questions relating to this Preliminary Amendment, or the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the

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undersigned attorney concerning such questions so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

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